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PLEADS FOR PEACE.

The text of Pope Benedict's peace message proposing, as a means of maintaining and restoring world peace, the diminution of world armament and the substitution of arbitration for warfare in settling disputes, was made public through the British Foreign Office Wednesday night. The message, addressed to the King of England, requested that he hand it to all Entente allied nations and the United States, which have not diplomatic relations with the Vatican. The Holy Father takes no side for any belligerent nation, but makes an earnest endeavor to bring to an end the conflict which for the last three years has ravaged the civilized world. Thursday reports went forth that conferences between Entente diplomats indicate that Pope Benedict's peace move would not change the situation. The decision was that the message must receive deferential and full acknowledgment.

PAYING THE PENALTY.

After a turbulent campaign last year the State of Florida elected as Governor Sidney J. Catts, a traveling Baptist minister, who after being repudiated in the Democratic primary ran as an independent candidate and was elected. Catts' platform and campaign consisted solely of abuse of the Catholic church and everything pertaining to Catholicism, promising if elected he would drive Catholic teachers out of the schools and have a convent inspection law. He was enthusiastically supported by the Guardians of Liberty, Junior Order and all A. P. A. fanatics, money being contributed to his campaign from outside the State. But what an awakening! Hardly had Catts taken his seat as Governor when the people of Florida began to realize their mistake, and now there is a daily howl from all over the State for his impeachment. A. M. Russell, editor of the Palmetto News and one of Catts' former ardent supporters, is leading a movement for impeachment of the Governor and in a letter to State Senate President Johnson and Speaker Hardee enumerates some of the Governor's illegal and unfair acts, including the rapid-fire discharge of elected officials in order to replace them with his friends; the attempted forcing of his son upon the soldier boys at Tallahassee; the writing of insulting letters to the Attorney General of the United States, in which a slap at the President was included; the appointment of a liquor dealer as the Chairman of the State Board of Control, although posing as a Baptist prohibitionist. Editor Russell pictures a future of ruin and desolation for Florida if Catts is allowed to fill out his term as Governor. The people of Florida are paying the penalty for being guided by bigotry. The reign of Catts is but just retribution.

NOT ALL BAD.

Among the many guesses as to the form of constitution which the Irish convention will adopt is one which represents each of the provinces with its own legislature and a kind of general, or federal parliament in which the provinces would have equal representation. Now we are free to confess that such an arrangement would not be unattractive, inasmuch as it would establish a form of government analogous to that which obtained under the Arrish of old, in which we take such historic pride. Of course we understand that the purpose underlying such an arrangement is to save "Ulster's" feelings and also that it would coincide beautifully with the "divide-and-conquer" principle of government that has marked the whole course of British rule in Ireland. At the same time it would be quite possible to build up a strong nation on such a basis. At any rate the provinces would be obliged to put forth their best efforts to keep step with each other, for it is inconceivable that anyone would wish to lag behind. A little friendly rivalry would not hurt them particularly, since anyone would not enjoy any governmental advantage over the others. All this is of course on the assumption that the central or federal government would be equipped with powers like those of Canada and Australia. While we do not expect much from the convention, we believe it could easily do much worse than set up the kind of government indicated. Personally we would prefer a single Parliament for the whole island—a re-

public, if possible, but since a republic can not be expected to arise from world conditions as they appear at present, let us try to make the most of what we can get and prepare for the inevitable hour when we can successfully strike for that ideal of liberty which we can appreciate and which alone can satisfy us.

WANTS SPOILS.

Indemnity is a word that sounds harshly in the ears, not only of a beaten foe, but in those of people who desire to see the white dove of peace descend upon a war weary world. At least Lloyd George recognizes this and consequently he has dropped the ugly word indemnity from his peace talks and substituted "restitution." Not that Lloyd George and his Government have any love for the word, but because it sounds better and has a certain look of morality about it to recommend it to an easily-hungry generation. And yet if the principle of restitution were insisted on for all nations the English would have a debt to pay to the outraged people of many nationalities that would leave her poor indeed. No, it is not restitution that England wants, but a chance to get away with the spoils. Assure her of this and peace will come with a bound.

CARELESSNESS.

Readers of the daily and weekly newspapers must have noticed the recent large increase of fatal accidents to motorists crossing railroad tracks. Not a day passes but several accidents occur. This can only be ascribed to carelessness on the part of the automobile parties. That they can not see a train approaching is no excuse. They should not take chances. Safety first is a good thing to remember. No use blaming the railroad employees. They have the right of way while the automobile party has only a privilege. The same holds good in our cities with regard to street railway systems. Auto drivers dash in or across right in front of a moving street car, and expect the motorman to stop his car on the spot. The motorman, too, has lives to protect in his passengers. Compensation is not of much use to a corpse.

CONSOLATION.

Referring to the matter of chaplaincies in the army, the Rev. Lewis J. O'Hern, C. S. P., who is the official representative in this matter, has this to say: "It will be a course of great consolation to the Catholic parents of the country to know that when their boys are called to the colors in such large numbers, as they shortly will be, the War Department has done everything in its power to furnish them with as many priests as they can to care for their spiritual welfare."

And how much better all who contributed to the war camp fund will feel when they realize the good they have done for those who have left home and friends for their flag and country and the continued liberty that has blessed our people.

WOULD ARISE ANYHOW.

Oklahoma and a few other sections of the country were in the nation's eye for some time past. The riots are attributed to the fact that the selective draft is obnoxious in those States. The factions would arise anyhow independent of the draft law. If it be not one trouble it would be another. Just now the draft law furnishes an excuse for lawless men. Reports have it that the Government wants the death penalty enforced. That perhaps is expecting too much. We are rather inclined to look upon the affair as an ordinary riot followed by the Sheriff securing a posse to go on a man hunt for bad men. When those men are captured they should be put to work for the Government and compelled to make a living by earning it. It would be too much to expect men of that ilk to defend their country's flag. The nation wants men only.

SALUTARY ADVICE.

Rev. John A. Ryan, of the Catholic University, addressing the graduates of the Iowa State University on "The Call to Service," stated the cause of the general unrest which prevails today. This is due to the fact that the accepted standard of the day has become money and material enjoyment. Men and women adopting this stand-

ard live on the plane of their lower nature. The spiritual nature is not developed. "Every one today cherishes some kind of philosophy of life," said Dr. Ryan, for one money and material pleasure, for another service of humanity, for yet another the working out of God's purposes. Continuing, Father Ryan said: "The highest philosophy of life is that of service of God. There is no other life worth while because only God is finally worth while. Love of the neighbor is like love of God, for it rests on the same foundation. Happy for you will it be if your careers are begun and continued in this spirit."

This is salutary, profitable advice, says the Sacred Heart Review. Contrast it with the rhetorical exhortations to become Presidents of the United States that so many commencement orators addressed to graduating classes of boys and young men.

CATHOLIC INTEREST.

The welfare of our country, the hearty and effective prosecution of the war, is the interest nearest at this hour to the heart of every American. Vitally one with that interest is the interest of every Catholic in the spiritual welfare of the soldier and the sailor. We are asked, says the Catholic World, to contribute to every cause that concerns the soldier's and sailor's temporal and physical well-being, and it is our duty to do so. But all such work will in the end be vain unless we have also cared for that which is infinitely higher than the temporal, namely the spiritual welfare of the soldier and sailor.

RIGHT STEP.

The commandeering of all ships being built for foreign nations in American shipyards is a step in the right direction. When we remember that England flooded the shipyards with orders for the sole purpose of preventing us from getting a merchant marine which may prove formidable as a competitor after the war, necessity for commandeering those ships can be easily seen. It is time our people made up their minds to play second fiddle to no one. This is the greatest nation of all time, and it is due to its own self respect that it take steps to make its greatness apparent to the whole world.

ANOTHER RELIGION.

Private interpretation of the Bible has led to a great multiplication of sects as everyone knows. Sometimes a single text of Scripture is sufficient to found a new religion. On this literal-mindedness would seem to have reached a limit in the case of an English sect, described in the Catholic Universe. This body is named "Little Children Baptists," the foundation of its creed being the Scriptural words "Except ye become as little children ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven." Their devotional exercises on Sundays consist of trundling hoops, playing marbles, leapfrog and "button, button, who's got the button?"

SENSIBLE SOLUTION.

"The only solution for the problem of labor and capital is to get together." That is the solution of all the problems of the world, as I see it. So says Henry Ford; and yet he is not in the least a Catholic. The Catholic Universe ventures the assertion that in world politics, before the start of the great war, his methods were better than all the skill of Sir Edward Grey or the finesse of Delcasse.

CATHOLIC OBLIGATION.

It is the obligation and solemn duty of Catholic parents to provide at any cost schools for their children, where their religion and faith and their Christian duties will be daily inculcated by word and by example. As the Catholic Universe insists, no Catholic, no matter what his position, can in conscience approve of any system of education from which religious instruction is totally excluded.

Only a few more weeks and the head of the house will be obliged to attack the coal pile once more, always provided he has a coal pile. Time doesn't wait for us.

WINN WAS HOST.

The New York correspondent of the Cincinnati Enquirer had the following in his Sunday letter, which will be read with interest here:

Col. Matt Winn, part owner of Churchill Downs, where the American Derby is run, was here from Louisville, his home town, this week. While busy with other matters he took a day or two off to show his daughter, Miss Olive Winn, and her charming girl cousin, Miss Frances Henchey, also of Louisville, the entertaining and instructive sights of the great city. This was Miss Henchey's first visit to Gotham, and she opened wide her eyes when the Colonel pointed out historic landmarks. Under his guidance the young folk saw Little Old New York at its best; not to overlook the roof gardens and the pleasures of fashionable watering places. On Wednesday the party had a pleasant outing at Asbury Park and yesterday they motored through Westchester county. Monday Col. Winn will take the young people to Philadelphia for a few days and thence to Atlantic City for the week-end.

COMING EVENTS.

August 20-21—Lawn fete by St. Augustine's church on church grounds, afternoon and evening.
August 20-21—Lawn fete for St. Patrick's fight club, fund, on school grounds, Sixteenth and Market.
August 21-22—Annual festival of St. William's church, afternoon and evening.

MY BOY.

My darling, curly-headed boy,
You've been to us a source of great joy,
Your smile so sweet as you always greet
Your mother and I wher'er we meet.

Chorus.
Take the flag of your country and hold it aloft,
To preserve which both your forefathers fought.
You're fighting for principles as clear as the sun,
So go at it, my boy, and see it well done.

Listen, we pray, to your country's call,
It tells you plainly for me, forsake all;
Your father and mother tells you to heed
This call from your country in its great need.

Chorus.
Come to our hearts and let us embrace,
Whil'at your mother and I look on your sweet face,
With a tear and a sigh we tell you goodbye,
While for country and flag you stand ready to die.
Bonaventure.

SOCIETY.

Miss Abbie O'Brien is visiting in Indianapolis.

Miss Margaret O'Neil has returned from a trip to Lake George.

Mr. and Mrs. James O'Neal spent Sunday with friends in Elizabethtown.

Thomas Mattingly spent several days with friends in Bardonia last week.

Mrs. Enola Rafferty and son, Douglas Rafferty, spent last week at Cloverport.

Miss Louise Dant has been visiting at Bardonia, the guest of Miss Maule Wheeler.

Mrs. David Riley has been visiting at Seymour, Ind., the guest of Mrs. Samuel Crowe.

Miss Margaret Conroy, of Lexington, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. L. McCloy, in Clifton.

Mrs. Helen Landes, of East Breckinridge street, has been spending her vacation at Utica, Ind.

Miss Kate Callahan left Tuesday to spend the rest of the month visiting relatives in Chicago.

Mrs. Richard L. Condon is visiting at Syracuse, the guest of her sister, Mrs. Charles E. Cooney.

Miss A. M. Walsh left Wednesday for Toledo and Detroit, to remain until September 15.

Miss Anna Elizabeth Stehle has returned from a two weeks' vacation spent at Arctic Springs.

Mr. and Mrs. J. X. Kessack, of Clifton, have returned from a delightful visit at Biloxi, Miss.

Miss Marguerite Schnell has returned from an enjoyable visit to Mrs. J. S. Fields at Loretto.

Miss Mary Burns, of 801 East Market street, New Albany, is visiting relatives at Kokomo, Ind.

Miss Marie Pfeiffer has returned from a visit to Misses Cornelia and Eulalia Hayden at Bardonia.

Misses Gertrude and Rose Dowling were guests the past week of Miss Aileen Mann at Bardonia.

Misses Nellie and Julia Maloney left Tuesday for a two weeks' visit to Dr. and Mrs. Arink at St. Louis.

Mrs. Josephine Barrett and Miss Tillie Cuniff left Saturday to spend two weeks visiting in Chicago.

Mrs. William J. Slattery will leave tomorrow to spend three weeks visiting in Buffalo and New York.

William J. Barry, of Kansas City, stopped over here on his way from Lakeland, Fla., to visit relatives and friends.

Brother Plus, of St. Lawrence Institute, visited in Bardonia last week, the guest of Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Bean.

Misses Ella Donovan and Anita Shrader, of Meadowbrook, are spending a two weeks' vacation at White Mills.

Patrick Talbott visited his old home at Bardonia last week and received a hearty welcome from his many friends.

Mrs. Helen V. Hogan, 1017 East Market street, New Albany, is visiting in Chicago as the guest of Mrs. Henry Perry.

Mrs. Mischa Casper and children and Dr. and Mrs. James Casper were this week guests of relatives at Cannellton, Ind.

Misses Ina and Evelyn Kelley, of Alta avenue, left Wednesday to spend a few weeks with Helen Hayes, of Owensboro.

Miss Mary Belle Boone is spending the summer with her aunt, Mrs. Fannie Rapier, New Haven, and relatives in Nelson county.

Misses Florence J. Gathof, Adele

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Special purchase of 150 pieces of novelty sport material; these are stripe combination designs, and a full range of the season's newest colorings; there are values in this special lot up to 49c a yard; while they last, per yard25c

75c Sport Gaberdines 39c
Special purchase of one lot about 40 pieces of Burton Bros. fine English Gaberdines in a beautiful range of new sport styles and colorings; there are stripes and figured designs; if bought in the regular way, this material would sell at 75c a yard; while they last, yard39c

30c White Organdies 19c
White Organdies; of a fine sheer woven quality in a 40-inch width, and there are only 18 pieces in this lot, and these are good values at 39c; Monday, special, per yard19c

30c Gabardine Skirting 25c
Gabardine Skirting in a plain and woven design; these are 36 inches wide and are regular 39c gabardines; Monday, special, per yard25c

50c Novelty Dress Voiles 27c
This is an extra special buy of about 200 pieces of extra fine two-thread White Voile, with fancy colored woven stripe and check; all of the colorings are yarn dyed; these materials are all new and desirable styles; they are 36 inches wide and values up to 50c; while they last, yard27c

Tissues and Voiles 15c
Your choice of over 100 styles of Tissues, Voiles and Organdies; these are floral, figured, Sport and stripe designs, in a beautiful range of colorings to select from; there are values up to 25c in the lot; while they last, per yard15c

17 1/2c Dress Gingham 12 1/2c
2,000 yards of short mill remnants of Zephyr Dress Gingham; there are plain colorings, also stripes and plaids and checks; the lengths are up to 8 yards; they sell from the bolt at 17 1/2c a yard; while they last, per yard12 1/2c

35c Madras Shirting 17c
1,800 yards of mill remnants of Colored Madras Shirting; there are 32 and 36 inches wide in the lot and lengths up to 7 yards, and there are values up to 35c a yard in the assortment; while the lot lasts, per yard17c

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RECENT DEATHS.

Monday morning the funeral of Anna Marie Pieper, twelve-year-old daughter of Clement Pieper, 1631 Gallagher street, was held from St. Peter's church. Her death followed a month's illness of heart trouble and cast a deep gloom among her many friends and relatives. Besides her parents she is survived by two sisters and three brothers.

Many friends mourn the death of Joseph Snipp, twenty-one years old, on Monday night at the home of his father, Henry Snipp, 2824 West Madison street. Besides his father he leaves two brothers and two sisters. Sympathy for the relatives was shown by the large attendance at the funeral Thursday morning at St. Anthony's church.

Much sympathy is felt for Fredrick W. and Catherine Martin, 442 East Brandels, in the loss of their ten-year-old son, Justin J. Martin, who died suddenly Monday evening, the victim of an automobile accident. The little fellow was a great favorite and his death makes a real void in the hearts of many. His funeral took place Thursday morning from St. Elizabeth's church.

The funeral of Peter Fleck, a pioneer Catholic resident of this city, occurred Saturday morning with requiem high mass at St. Bridget's church. He was a retired grocer and for many years was Treasurer of the German Mutual Fire Insurance Company. He is survived by a son, Stephen Fleck, Jr., and four daughters, Miss Mary Fleck, Sister Mary Anthony, Mrs. R. E. Lochleider, of Shelbyville, and Mrs. Frank Gruber.

Many sorrowing friends filled St. Cecilia's church Sunday afternoon, when the last solemn rites were said over the remains of Mrs. Mary B. Shelley, one of the oldest and most highly esteemed residents of the West End. Mrs. Shelley was the widow of Patrick Shelley and had long been custodian of St. John's cemetery, where her body was laid to rest. Two sons, James and John Shelley, and three daughters, Mrs. Mary Fisher, Mrs. Catherine Hill

WILL LIVE HERE.

Edward Simpson and Miss Irene Saltzman were married at the Church of St. Vincent at New Hope by the Rev. A. L. O'Shea. The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Russ Saltzman. The bridegroom resides in Louisville, and is an employe of the Kentucky Distillery and Warehouse Company. They will make their home in this city.

TRIBUTE TO PRIESTS.

The Churchman, an Episcopalian publication, pays a remarkable tribute to the priests in the army when it says: "One of the most encouraging by-products of the war is the influence of the soldier priests, of whom, in addition to the ordinary chaplains, there are now some 20,000 in the French armies. The law of 1889, which by rendering priests and all 'religious' liable to full military service was designed to subordinate the church to the republic in France, has in reality fallen out for the furtherance of the gospel. The heroic devotion of the priests under arms, fighting as fearless soldiers one hour and the next celebrating mass, hearing confessions or ministering to the dying, is one of the brightest pages of the dark record of the battlefields. Hundreds of these men are missionaries called from the end of the earth, some of them are Bishops serving cheerfully as privates in the ranks. Many have already laid down their lives for God and country. The officers recognize their bravery and the men turn to them for spiritual ministrations."